C6B-CC-0012

November 17, 2005

Federal Communications Commission Office Of The Secretary 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW Washington D.C. 20554 **RECEIVED & INSPECTED** 

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Attention: Closed Captioning Petition For Exemption

To Whom It May Concern:

We respectfully request an exemption from closed captioning for our television program.

We produce a weekly half-hour talk show called "Reno's Backstage Pass" highlighting entertainment in the Reno area. We videotape and edit the show on Wednesdays. It airs Friday mornings on KOLO-TV in Reno and KSPX-TV in Sacramento.

According to the exemptions noted in the "FCC Consumer Facts" brochure for closed captioning, we believe we qualify for the following reasons:

- (1) It is a locally produced, non-news program with no repeat value, because all the information provided in the show becomes outdated the day after it airs.
- (2) The total gross revenue for the program for the calender year 2005 will be less than \$75,000, far under the \$3 million guideline.
- (3) Considering the small amount of gross revenue, combined with the cost of buying the half-hour blocks of air time and production costs, coupled with the tight deadlines from taping to airing, we believe supplying captions would result in an undue burden as a program provider.

Please review this petition for exemption from closed captioning.

If you need any more information, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Bruce Jakubowski

S & B Productions 3417 Ridgecrest Dr. Reno, NV 89512

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January 20, 2006

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Amelia Brown, Disability Rights Office Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Washington D.C. 20554

Attention: Closed Captioning Petition For Exemption (reference: CGB-CC-0012)

Dear Ms. Brown,

Here is the additional information you requested (in your letter dated December 22, 2005) in our petition for an exemption from closed captioning for our television program. We believe supplying captions would result in an undue burden.

To review, we produce a weekly half-hour talk show called "Reno's Backstage Pass" highlighting entertainment in the Reno area for that particular weekend. It is a hobby mostly for fun, and as you will see, very little profit. We've been doing this program the same way since September, 1995.

Because we have to wait for many of the entertainers to get to Reno, We videotape and edit the program on Wednesdays. We ship or deliver it to the two stations so they can review it and place it in their systems on Thursday. It airs Friday mornings on KOLO-TV in Reno and KSPX-TV in Sacramento. The program has no repeat value, because the information and interviews contained in the program are for that weekend and become immediately outdated.

Supplying captions would result in undue burden in two ways:

(1) LOGISTIC: We would not be able to get the captions on the program and delivered to the stations in time. We can send it overnight to the caption company on Wednesday. The caption company could do the work and send it back out to the stations on Thursday. But, of course, it would not arrive at the stations until Friday morning. It would be too late for the stations to review the program before airing. And, that assumes no glitches (weather, machines malfunctions, etc.) in any step of the process.

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(2) FINANCIAL: We are a very small budget, local show. I am the host, producer AND editor. Considering the small amount of gross revenue, combined with all of our expenses and tight deadlines from taping to airing, we believe supplying captions would result in an undue burden: (see A,B,C,D attached)

Weekly Sponsor Income:

TOTAL:

\$1,250.00

Weekly Expenses:

KOLO-TV air time: \$400.00 (A) KSPX-TV air time: 450.00 (B) Production costs: 127.00 (C) Tapes, shipping 75.00

\$1,052.00

Weekly Profit (before captions):

\$ 198.00

Cost Of Captioning: (lowest estimate: D)

 Captioning:
 \$ 185.00

 Master Tape:
 75.00

 2 dubs
 50.00

 Shipping:
 50.00

 TOTAL:
 360.00

TOTAL WEEKLY LOSS:

-\$162.00

As you can see, even if we adjust our taping and/or air dates, our small program just cannot afford the expense of supplying captions. Therefore, we respectfully request an exemption from closed captioning.

If you need any more information, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Bruce Jakubowski

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S & B PRODUCTIONS
3417 RIDGECREST DRIVE
RENO NV 89512 BACKSTAGE PASS 206980

REF#: DESC:

REP...:
SLSP.: LAURA BOREN
ADV..: BACKSTAGE PASS
PROD: S & B PROD/

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# 923 Olive Street Santa Barbara, CA 93101 805-965-7833 fax: 805-965-1284

## Schedule for S & B Productions (SBP)

1/9/2006

Refer to Inv. # 9325

Station Market Day Date <u>Time</u> Client Cost Title  $\underline{\mathbf{AE}}$ KSPX Sacramento, CA Fri 1/27/06 10:30 am \$450.00 Reno Backstage Pass #536 BEDaily Subtotal: \$450.00

Weekly Subtotal:

\$450.00

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S & B ADVERTISING AGENCY 3417 RIDGECREST DRIVE

RENO NV 89512

PROD: S & B PROD/PROD

PER : 11/06/02 - T.F.N.

CONT: 6980-00030 STANDARD

SLSP: LAURA BOREN

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DATE DESCRIPTION EXTENSION 12/30/05 LOCAL AGENCY PRODUCTION REV 602100 1 @ 150.00 150.00 DECEMBER PRODUCTION PROD INV 3523

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150.00 22.50 127.50



# 4100 W. Burbank Blvd 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Burbank CA 91505 (818) 848-6500 FAX: (818) 450-0516

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#### CONFIDENTIAL PROPOSAL

For

TRANSCRIPTION & CAPTION SERVICES

Prepared for

## SNB PRODUCTIONS

January 5, 2006

#### **CLOSED CAPTIONING**

Standard Roll-Up-format

\$185.00 per 30 minutes \$350.00 per 60 minutes \$585.00 per 90 minutes

(Includes Electronic Delivery of Scripts & cc files on disk)

#### ADDITIONAL CHARGES:

- Master Beta Cam

\$ 75/ per 30 minutes

Closed Caption Encoding and Conversion

Dubbing

\$25.00 per Tape

Total Cost Per 30 minute program: \$285 each

#### REAL-TIME CAPTIONING

Closed Caption Service for Broadcast – Real-time Includes: News, Sports, Kids and Telethons Segment Cut-in \$100.00 per hour

\$ 50.00 per each

Segments 30 minute or less

### **OTHER AVAILIBLE SERVICES:**

- Language Translation of transcripts
- Subtitles
- CD and DVD media duplication
- FTP site and digital file transfer for media content

Prices effective through December 31, 2006

Roni Hall Sales Consultant **The Transcription Company** rhall@transcripts.net 818-848-6500 x111

## **AFFIDAVIT OF BRUCE JAKUBOWSKI**

STATE OF NEVADA )
)ss.
COUNTY OF WASHOE )

BRUCE JAKUBOWSKI, of Reno, Nevada, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

- (1) That he has prepared the foregoing letter from *S & B Productions*, dated January 20, 2006, addressed to the *Federal Communications Commission* and knows the contents thereof, including Exhibits A, B, C and D; and the same is true of his own knowledge, except as to those matters therein stated on information and belief, and as to those matters he believes it to be true.
- (2) That said documents (a) are in accordance with the books and records of affiant; (b) are complete and correct in all material respects; (c) fairly represent the financial condition of *S* & *B Productions* at the respective dates therein indicated; and (d) have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles applied on a consistent basis with prior years.

DATED this 27 day of January , 2006.

BRŰCE JAKUBOWSKI

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me

this <u>ATH</u> day of <u>January</u>, 2006.

Notary Public

DEBRA L. HAMILTON
Notary Public - State of Nevada
Appointment Recorded in Washoe County
No: 93-1055-2 - Expires January 13, 2009